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Sir:

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Office Action dated December 26, 2001. The Office Action did not contain a complete copy of a cited reference (referred to as "BCC" in the rejections). Specifically, only the first page of the BCC reference was attached to the Office Action and it ends mid-sentence: "A similar data link…" Applicants respectfully request that the Office Action be supplemented to include a complete copy of the BCC reference and that, pursuant to MPEP §710.06, a new period for response of at least one month be provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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